

Proclamation Presented to Mike Navares

WHEREAS, Mike Navares, son of Martina Navares, has four brothers, John, Felix, Alfred and Andrew; and one sister, Jackie; he graduated from St. Louis High School in Honolulu in 1972 and from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon, in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares worked for the Hawai'i State Department of Education teaching 10th grade biology and coached the varsity football and wrestling teams at Waialua High School; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares started working part-time at United Airlines in May 1978 as a ramp service employee, loading cargo and bags; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares has a passion for the sport of power lifting; in 1981, when he was 27 years old, Mike was the 181 lbs. State Champion, and holds the state record in lifting a total of 1,548.25 lbs. in the squat, bench press and dead lift; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares left teaching in 1987 after being offered a supervisor position with United Airlines in the ramp service department; he has worked in various management positions in many different departments with the company throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares, who has been the General Manager for United Airlines since July 16, 2000, is recognized as being the first Hawai'i-born United Airlines employee to be in charge of all airport operations; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares is an avid golfer; the highlight of his golfing game was on December 11, 2005, when he used a 6 iron at 175 yards and made his first "Hole-in-One" at Fort Shafter golf course; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares has generously given back to the community, serving on the boards of directors for the Hawai'i Visitors and Convention Bureau and Hawai'i Foodbank, is a member of the Airlines Committee of Hawai'i (ACH), and was a special committee member on tourism for the Hawai'i Tourism Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mike Navares will be recognized for his 34 years of dedicated service to United Airlines at a special celebration to be held at the Hale Koa Hotel, Waikiki Ballroom, on April 3, 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 3, 2013, as

"MIKE NAVARES DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in congratulating Mike Navares for his many contributions to our community, and expressing our best wishes for a much deserved retirement.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of April 2013.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawai'i SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i